

# Primenergy, L.L.C. Biomass Energy Conversion

### Poultry Litter to Energy

A Solution for the Watershed



#### Poultry Litter as an Alternate Energy Source

- •Poultry Bedding is Biomass Fuel, i.e. Wood Chips, Sawdust, Rice Hulls
- •Power Generation from Biomass is Alternative, Renewable "Green" Energy
- •Conversion of Litter into Energy is Carbon Dioxide Neutral
- •Use as Fuel Creates a New, Continuous Outlet for Litter, Improving Poultry House Utilization
- •Phosphorus and Other Soil Nutrients are Captured as Benign, Odor-free Ash
- •The Discharged Ash has Value as an Exportable Fertilizer



#### Advantages of Gasification

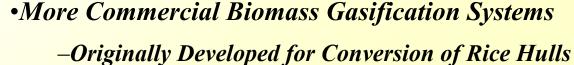


- •Controlled Air Gasification Eliminates
  - -Fuel Slagging
  - -Heavy Particulate Loading in the Synthesis Gas
  - -Lower Temperature Operation Vaporizes Less Pollutants
- Gasification Produces a Synthesis Gas
  - -Gases Can Be Intermediately Cleaned
  - -Gases Can Be Burned in Stages for Proactive Pollution Control
- Recognized by the US Department of Energy and Environmental Organizations as Superior Combustion Technology
- Gasification is not Incineration





#### Biomass Gasification Technology



- -First Commercial Operation in 1982 and Still Operating
- -Eighteen Gasifiers in Operation Worldwide

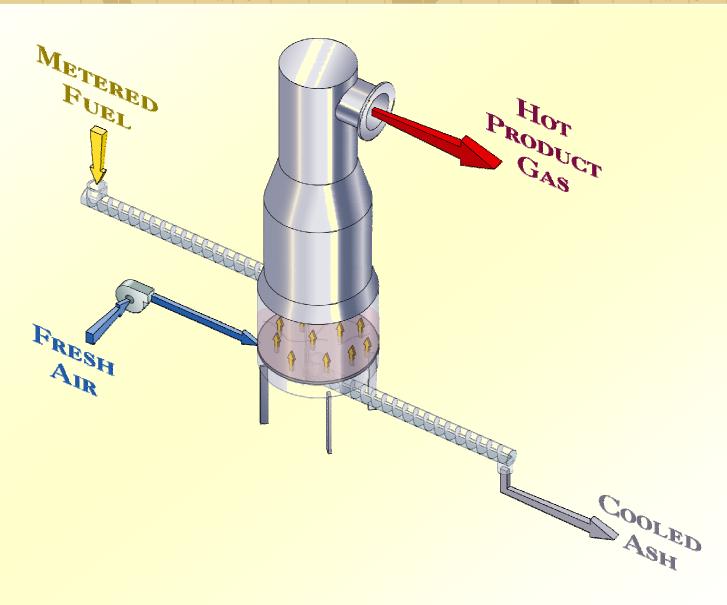


- -Stuttgart 13 MWe Rice Hull Fueled Steam Cycle
- -Rossano 4.5 MWe Olive Waste Fueled Engine Generation
- •Full Scale Demonstration Facility In Tulsa
  - -Third Party Independent Verification of Testing
- Proven Fuel & Energy Flexibility & Scalability
  - —Over Twenty (20) Biomass Materials Successfully Demonstrated
- Scalable Technology
  - —Commercial Systems Ranging in Size from One Ton per hour to over 20 tons per hour





#### Gasification Technology







#### Experience with Poultry Litter



- -Co-funded Testing Sponsored by the Southeast Regional Biomass Energy Program of the US Department of Energy
- -Beddings of Wood Waste and Rice Hulls



- -Varying Moisture Content
- -Customer Funded Tests with Chicken and Turkey Litter
- Third Part Emissions Tests
  - **¬Primary Air Pollutants Proactively Removed and Controlled by Patent Pending S³ Technology to Normal Permittable Limits**
  - -Nitrogen Oxides Controlled by Staged Combustion of Synthesis Gases
- Recoverable Energy Can Be Determined and Can Be Guaranteed





#### Litter Converted to Energy Via Gasification



- Gasification is the Conversion of Solids into a Synthetic Gas
- The Intermediate, Synthetic Gas Can be Cleansed Prior to Use as Fuel
- •Proactive Gas Cleansing is Cleaner Technology than Post Combustion Air Pollution Control
- Gasification Creates Gas, Not Pollution
- •Most of the Phosphorus and Other Soil Nutrients Remain in the Ash – Typical Fertilizer Value 0 – 19 –10, Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potassium
- Gasification Eliminates Problematic Fuel Glassing
- US Department of Energy Promotes Gasification
  - -Superior Energy Efficiency
  - -Environmental Performance





#### Synthesis Gas Scrubbing Technology

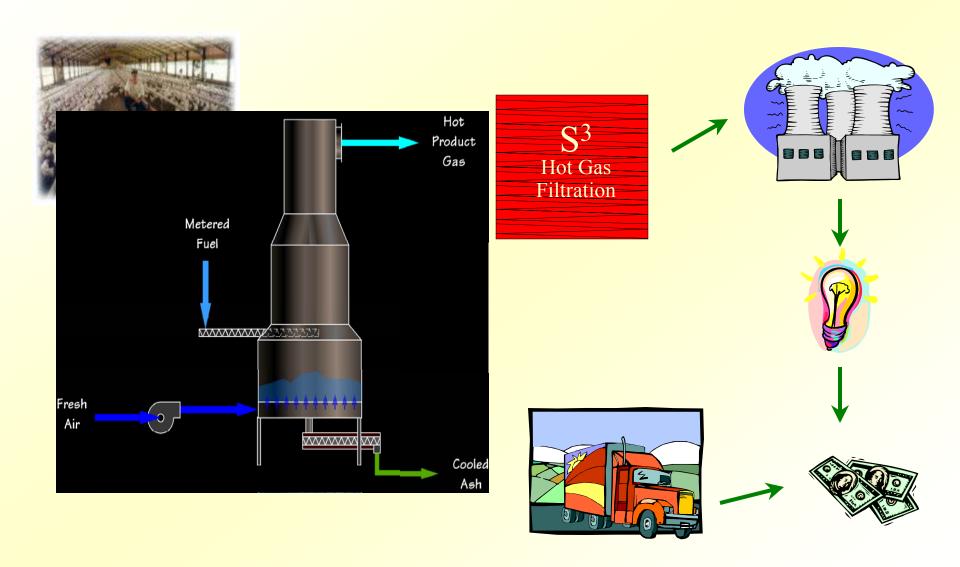
- •S<sup>3</sup> Technology, Synthetic Scrubbing System
  - -Developed for Air Compliance with Litter Fuel
  - -Patent Pending
  - -Developed and Proven in Tulsa
- •Proactively Removes Air Pollutants
  - -Captures Phosphorus, Chlorine, Sulphur and Other Chemicals as a Solid
  - -No Liquid Discharge
- Integrated with Gasification
  - —Provides Superior Environmental Compliance & Energy Efficiency







## Conceptual Illustration

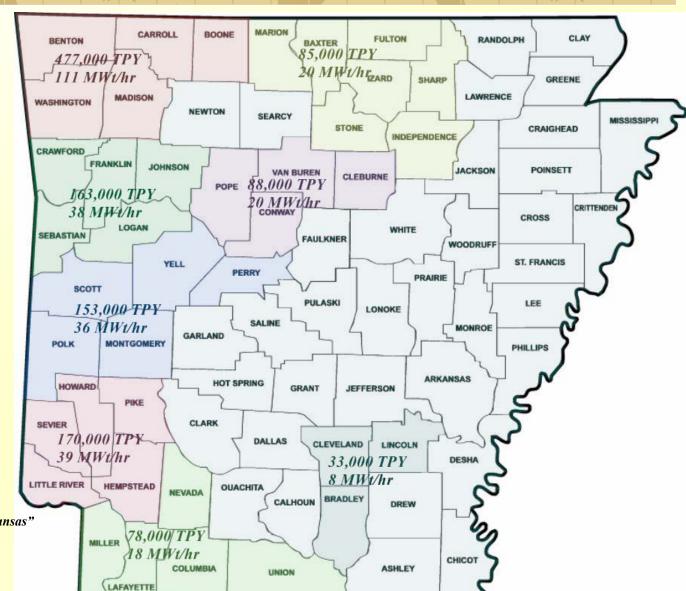




#### Biomass Resources (Poultry Litter)

•1,245,000 Tons produced in concentrated regions of Arkansas

•290 MWt/hr potential energy production from litter



\*Source: "Biomass Resources in Arkansas" Jim Wimberly, Winrock International May 1995



#### Summary

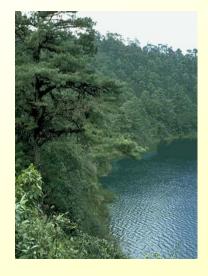
#### •Litter to Energy Provides



- -The Treatment of Litter as an Energy Asset
- •A Solution for the Watershed
  - -Environment
    - •Diversion of Litter from Land Application
    - •Displaces Carbon Dioxide and Sulfur Oxide from Fossil Fuel Power Generation

#### -Industry

- Provides a Year Round Litter Outlet for the Poultry Industry
- Increases Employment from Plant Operations and Litter Procurement







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